



## **Yuma Regional Communications System Council**

Yuma Regional Communications System - Council Meeting of February 17, 2022

### Item 1 – Call to Order and Introductions – 9:09 AM

Chairman Leon Wilmot called the meeting to order

Council Members in attendance included:

Leon Wilmot, Yuma County Sheriff  
Eddie Carrera, Project Manager YRCS  
Paul DeAnda, Somerton/Cocopah Fire  
Tony Badilla, YCEM  
Araceli Juarez, Somerton Police Chief  
Mark Rivera, Wellton Fire  
Steve Irr, City of Yuma Fire  
Joe Jenkins, Cocopah Police  
Nigel Reynoso, San Luis PD (proxy)  
Julio Hernandez, Quechan PD (proxy)

Guests in Attendance:

Chief Bailey, YPD Fire  
Martin Espinoza, Radio Program Manager  
Jeremy Jeffcoat, YCSO IT Manager  
Heather Pyeatt-Morris, City of Yuma  
Martha Esqueda, YRCS  
Russ Hartley, YCEM

Louie Carlos, Somerton Fire  
Leo Mendez, Yuma Juvenile Court  
Ian McGaughey, Assistant County Administrator  
Mario Rosas, Yuma County  
Louise Hennings, YCSO

### Item 2 — Minutes of the November 18, 2021 YRCS Quarterly Meeting

Sheriff Leon Wilmot

- Tony Badilla made a motion to accept the minutes with the correction.
- Paul DeAnda seconded the motion.
- Sheriff Wilmot called for a vote. All voted in agreement, motion passed.

### Item 3 – YRCS FY21-22 Quarter 2 Aging Report Status

Martha Esqueda

- Many of the outstanding invoices have been paid.
- Please refer to your packet for the current billing status

### Item 4 — YRCS Quarterly Updates of Activities

Eddie Carrera

#### **YRCS Financial Report**

YRCS FY 22-23 Surplus / Deficit Summary 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter:

Radio System, PS Software System, 911 Administration, and Summary

- Refer to the meeting packet for the income and expense totals for the Radio System, PS Software System, and 911 Administration information.

## **YRCS Radio Stats**

YRCS Stats: Radios on the System:

- YRCS – 2659 radios (increase of 0)
- DPS/ADOT – 6135 radios (increase of 0)
- Interop – 1106 radios (increase of 0)
- Total Radios: 9900 with a capacity of 10,000

New YRCS Users for this quarter:

- No new users

## **YRCS Activities**

Federal Engineering:

- Meeting with Federal Engineering on October 14<sup>th</sup> concerning changes to the MOU. No movement.

San Luis Medical Plaza:

- There is very little or no coverage for the YRCS radio system and First Net to penetrate the building.

Region 3 700/800 MHz Committee:

- Meeting on October 26<sup>th</sup> to discuss applications and the changes to the board.
- There has been no action by the committee.

Meetings to discuss CAD/RMS Vendor CAPERS:

- There have been various meetings to discuss the CAD/RMS checklist.
- CAPERS is one company that wanted us to look at their software. After an online demo we decided they are lacking the functionality that we need.

Discussion with ImageTrend and Fire Departments:

- Attended a November 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting. City of Yuma already uses ImageTrend for their fire records. There was a discussion about extending that option to SLFD and SFD. There are some issues on that situation because they don't have everything that they need so we are still in discussions.
- Tyler offered fire records free, but to this date, we are not able to use that.

CAPERS:

- Online demo on November 9<sup>th</sup>.

Zadara Storage:

- Support ends for Datrium on October 2023.
- The long term planning would be a cloud solution for the CAD/RMS product. The vendors are not ready for it.
- We are looking at keeping the servers for the next 3 years and bringing in Zadara.
- To save money we are looking at Zadara for now and not buying.

## **YRCS Radio Projects**

Projects Completed:

- None this quarter

Projects in Process:

- Annual preventive maintenance of user.
- CBSCN Cross Border Communication with C4 for SLPD. Now it is actually C5 and it is on hold waiting on the MOU and seeing where that will lead us.

Projects on Hold:

- Microwave Radio Enhancements – Using the reallocated MNI microwave radios 6E to YCPW EOC (COY-YRCS). This went live this week, but has been shut down for not for safety reasons.
- LPSO Salome Tower site relocation. MLFD Tower and RF Site. Project is on hold
- MLFD Tower. The new Chief is trying to get this going.
- MLFD RF Site. Still working on this

## YRCS PSSS Projects

### Projects Completed:

- None

### Projects in Process:

- PSSS Enterprise CAD upgrade. Continuously upgrading but there is no upgrade for law enforcement due to the lack of modules. In addition, the jail piece was not going to be supported.
- FY2019 SHSGP Grant "Establish a Cyber Security Program for City of Yuma – YRCS". This grant has been exhausted.

### Projects on Hold:

- Brazos E-Ticketing IOS Modification for SLPD. Still on hold.
  - Sheriff Wilmot had a question about the radios: With us being at 99% how much are each of those licenses.
  - Eddie: Per ID. For the FBI, for instance, they request 300 ID's to program every single radio in Arizona so, in an emergency, they can move easily throughout the state. We reserve a block of 300 numbers so they can program all their radios. We don't turn them on until they are actually in need, and at that point they take up a license. Therefore, no we are not worried about being at 99% because some of those ID's are not turned on. The problem is we have to buy 5000 user licenses at a cost of \$15,000.00. Most are for inter-operability only.

## YRCS 911 Projects

Heather Pyeatt-Morris

### Projects in Process:

- On the Crane Schools project. About two weeks ago, a newspaper article announced it was done, had been tested and was in place in the City of Yuma dispatch center, but it actually is not in place yet. We believe it is up and working, but we just don't have it in the center yet. This is still one piece we are working on.
- Over the past couple of weeks, the dispatch centers attended demos from 911 system providers because the state went through a new contract and were replacing all the 911 systems across the state under a new singular contract that the state has. The core services provider is now going to be a company called Comtech and they are building a new network for it to exist on. So, the CenturyLink and Intrado's network that we are on now will disappear in the State of Arizona, and be replaced with the Comtech network. They changed it to where the call handling systems that we could choose from, the system in place in all of the PSAPS right now is Intrado ViPER, and it's no longer available on the new state contract. We had our choice of Motorola Vesta, Comtech Solacom's call taking product and a company called NGA. We ended up deciding, as a group, on Motorola Vesta. Around July, August time frame all of the 911 systems and all the PSAPS in Yuma will be swapped out for the 911 Vesta.
  - Eddie: Did we get the local support handled yet?
  - Heather: What AT&T is providing us is, right now their technicians are in El Centro, Phoenix and Tucson, because Pinal and Yuma County are most likely going to be on the same system. They are talking about either co-locating a tech for the two of them, in western Pinal or in eastern Yuma or putting it somewhere less than an hour response time for their techs is what they are promising. We are hoping they choose here, but it might be a little while. The one thing that AT&T Vesta offered that the other vendor's didn't, was a tertiary level of redundancy. All of the vendors had to provide primary and secondary diverse paths all the way to the PSAPS. Everybody was doing that, but AT&T also is providing a tertiary lever through FirstNet that would provide a secured WIFI network, if you will a secured connection to FirstNet at what they call a 911-grade reach into the Network. So, it is WIFI or wireless, which is not the most ideal but it does give us that tertiary level of coverage. We are also hoping that with some of the pricing that they presented it gives us an option to include back up laptops that would allow, if the dispatch centers had to evacuate for some reason, the laptops are mobile and they can go to a remote location anywhere we designate and be able to process 911 calls from there.
  - Eddie: So, AT&T is offering two levels of redundancy plus the wireless so there will be three.
  - Heather: Yes. Even if the state for some reason were to choose not to cover the tertiary lever, or third level, the cost to us would be \$40.00 a month per PSAP, and it will have more than double bandwidth to support each PSAP. The budget does include the cost of the annual subscription for the laptops this year, which was an additional thing, but I recommended it as a reserve fund usage so it shouldn't raise the fees for the agencies this year.

#### Item 5 — Radio System Upgrade Update

Eddie Carrera

#### **Radio System Upgrade**

Fund Balance:

- When we signed this contract, one of the things that Motorola offered was after the second year we could cancel at any time as long as we paid whatever software we were using at that time. That is something that is on the table right now. Motorola was here yesterday and they were doing basic upgrade of some VMware in the background that actually took down DPS for three hours. There was to be no down time at all. We found out some stuff that they told us it was supposed to be able to do and come to find out it's not. I had a conversation with DPS and they are looking for funding for FY23 to do one last upgrade. We will consider cancelling the contract after that with Motorola. We will still be supported for another four years.
  - Tony Badilla: We have Lt. Reynoso from San Luis PD and Officer Hernandez from Quechan PD now joining us.
  - Eddie: We now have a quorum for the votes.

#### Item 6 – Public Safety Software System Upgrade Update

Eddie Carrera

- This project is ongoing but in the final stages.
- By December we will have to make a decision to either wait for Tyler or negotiate with a replacement vendor. It's a two year process to get the software upgraded. We will have to be able to use the demo product to make sure it works for us.

#### Item 7 – 911 Update

Heather Pyeatt-Morris

No additional.

#### Item 8 – YRCS IGA Amendment

Eddie Carrera

- This document was sent to all of you to review. Is there any changes or can we send it to the legal department. The IGA has expired so we need to go to council for the new IGA and get it done as quickly as possible.
  - Paul DeAnda made a motion to accept the changes that have been made and send it to all legal departments for review.
  - Araceli Juarez seconded the motion.
  - Sheriff Wilmot called for a vote. All voted in agreement, motion passed. Eddie will send this to legal. Copies to everyone.

#### Item 9 – Joining YRCS Terms and Conditions Amendment

Eddie Carrera

- Cyber security language and other changes were made to this document. If everyone has reviewed it and agrees to the changes we can vote to send it to legal for review.
  - Paul DeAnda made a motion to send it to legal for review.
  - Nigel Reynoso seconded the motion.
  - Sheriff Wilmot called for a vote. All voted in agreement, motion passed. Eddie will send this to legal. Copies to everyone.

#### Item 10A – FY22-23 Fees Adoption

Eddie Carrera

- This is the request for the fees for the fiscal year. There is no change it will remain the same.
  - Tony Badilla made a motion to adopt the radio fees as presented.
  - Mark Rivera seconded the motion.
  - Sheriff Wilmot called for a vote. All voted in agreement, motion passed.

Item 10B – PSSS Proposed FY22-23 Annual Maintenance

Eddie Carrera

- There is a 3% raise in cost for the annual fees. We need a vote to adopt these fees as stated.
  - Paul DeAnda made a motion to accept with the 3% that we agreed upon previously.
  - Mark Rivera seconded the motion.
  - Sheriff Wilmot called for a vote. All voted in agreement, motion passed.

Item 10C – YRCS 911 Admin FY23 Fees

Heather Pyeatt-Morris

- Last year we used some of the reserve funds to offset the cost so the numbers are a little bit higher than last year because there was not enough reserve funds dedicated. The System Administrator and GIS Administrator costs are the same. Supplies, software and support increased a small amount due to the cost of the air cards for the emergency laptops and the backup laptop. We would like to have an approval of the budget of \$119,539.52, using the \$10,100.00 reserve funds to cover that much of it along with the \$9,000.00 state funds that we get every year. The final amount that would come from the agencies would be \$100,439.52.
  - Paul DeAnda made a motion to accept the budget as proposed by Heather.
  - Araceli Juarez seconded the motion.
  - Sheriff Wilmot called for a vote. All voted in agreement, motion passed.

Item 11 – Request to Expend Funds for new Server Farm Hardware for PSSS

Eddie Carrera

- We are asking for the authority to reserve some funds for the expansion of the server farms for replacement of the Daitrim equipment. We are requesting about \$450,000.00 for FY23. We need a motion for purchasing approval to expand up to \$450,000.00 to replace the Daitrim solution for FY23. It has to go on the budget.
  - Paul DeAnda made the motion
  - Nigel Reynoso seconded the motion.
  - Sheriff Wilmot called for a vote. All voted in agreement, motion passed.

Item 12 – Call to the Public

- None

Item 13 - Adjourn

Chairman Wilmot called the meeting adjourned at 10:29 AM. Motion made by Tony Badilla and seconded by Paul DeAnda.